

State Implementation Plan Update *and* Proposed Modifications to Transportation Conformity Budgets for the South Coast Air Basin

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State Implementation Plan Update

Schedules and Reclassifications

Southern California Districts

- Western Mojave Desert
 - Bump-up to Severe-17 (2020 attainment)
 - Local RFP / attainment plan hearings in May and June
- Ventura County
 - Bump-up to Serious (2012 attainment)
 - Local RFP / attainment plan hearing in May
- Imperial County Ozone and PM₁₀ plans due in December

Northern California Districts

- San Joaquin Valley
 - 8-hour ozone plan submitted
 - District PM2.5 plan hearing on April 30
- Sacramento Metropolitan Nonattainment Area
 - Bump-up to Severe-15 (2018 attainment)
 - Local RFP adoption will be completed in May

Conformity Budgets for the South Coast Air Basin

Transportation Conformity

- Required by Federal Clean Air Act
- Transportation funding contingent on conformity with SIP
- Emission budgets represent maximum on-road vehicle emissions consistent with progress and attainment
- Emission budgets must be available for 30 day review and comment
- SIP based budgets adopted in November 2007
- EPA must find budgets adequate before use

Budget Adequacy

- Adequacy is intended to allow transportation agencies to make conformity findings pending EPA plan review and approval
- Criteria used by EPA defined in regulation
- Budgets must be:

Consistent with requirements for reasonable further progress and attainment, when considered together with all other emissions sources. (40CFR 93.118(e)(4)(iv))

Consistent with and clearly related to the emissions inventory and the control measures in the submitted plan. (40CFR 93.118(e)(4)(v))

SIP Process

Completed

- Plan development and adoption (including budgets) ✓
- Plan Submittal ✓
- Budget Adequacy ~ 90 days
- EPA Plan Approval 18 months
(including budgets)

South Coast Budgets

- U.S. EPA indicates it is not willing to approve budgets with SIP commitments
- ARB action requested by SCAG and South Coast District
- Staff proposes two options for EPA:
 - Budgets that reflect 2007 SIP commitments
 - Budgets that reflect only adopted rules
- Our intention is to meet SIP-based budgets
- Ask EPA to approve more health protective SIP-based budgets

Staff Recommendation

- Approve budgets for the South Coast Air Basin
- Direct Staff to forward both sets of budgets to U.S. EPA